Perumpidi Bridge.

153. **MR. R. RAMAN PILLAI** (*Kottayam*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) how long is it since the Perumpidi bridge on the Kaviyur-Mallapalli road was washed away by the floods;

(*b*) whether they have reconstructed it; and

(*c*) if not, what steps they have taken towards reconstructing it?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) In Mithanam 1104.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) The Chief Engineer reports that an estimate for putting up a temporary bridge has been sanctioned by the Executive Engineer and arrangements made to start the work. An estimate has also been called for by him for a pucka bridge on the Kaviyur-Mallapalli road.

Opening of an Anchal Office at Edaman.

154. **MR. H. B. MAHOMED ROWTHER** (*Pattanapuram* cum *Shencotta*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have taken any steps for the opening of an Anchal Office at Edaman as prayed for by the member for the Pattanapuram taluk at the 19th Session of the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): Yes. A representation having been received for the opening of a non-departmental Anchal Office at Edaman, the promoters of the office were asked to deposit the guarantee amount against loss to the Government as is done in respect of all non-departmental Anchal Offices. Since no one has come forward to deposit the amount, no further action was taken in the matter.

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